



## PROMOTING EXCELLENCE

### GRANTS AWARDED

Each year, through the generosity of our donors, LEAF provides grants to teachers across the district and across grade levels. Whether the grant involves science and mathematics, language arts, problem solving skills or support for our outstanding music programs, these grants provide Ledyard students with the tools they need to learn and excel. The LEAF Board of Trustees is excited to congratulate the following Ledyard teachers for receiving LEAF grants for the Fall 2020 grant cycle:

Ms. Brittany Robinson: Gallup Hill School “Speed Stack Timers”. This physical education activity enhances eye-hand coordination and enhances student engagement that may appeal to students who are not comfortable with traditional physical education units.

Mr. Zach Thomas: Ledyard High School “Pearl Mallet Station” This high-tech instrument system has broad applicability that will enhance the learning experience and musical capabilities for multiple student groups at Ledyard High School.

Ms. Jessica Grant, Ms. Kristen Gallagher, Mr. Mark Chmielewski, and Mr. Timothy Cooper: Ledyard Middle School “Virtual Biking Smart Trainers”. This pilot provides an expansion of resources to enhance physical education opportunities and a greater understanding of biology, physical training and performance.

Please join us in congratulating these dedicated educators for their commitment to education excellence in our schools.

## TEACHER WISHES FUNDED

This is Ledyard's own DonorChoose program. When teachers have an idea for their classroom that doesn't quite fit LEAF's grant criteria, we post it so donors can choose to support it directly.

### **Look what donors funded recently:**

Through the generosity of ten donors, LEAF was able to fund 5 picnic tables for outside use for JWL School, in an effort kickstarted by 4th grade teacher Mrs. MacCall. Mrs. MacCall wrote "Students need more outdoor time and with the current conditions, it seems safer to have them out in the fresh air. They could eat lunch there during the warm weather. Students could also take the opportunity to learn outdoors. For example, I could conduct my read alouds outside as well. I feel kids don't get outside enough and it seems like this would be one way make sure it is happening in schools."

## LOOK FOR OTHER TEACHER WISHES HERE.

## SUPPORT LEAF

Please consider supporting LEAF and helping us do more for students enrolled in Ledyard Public Schools. Every year we are awarding mini-grants to more teachers with innovative ideas and working with the administration to ensure donations have the largest impact possible on our town's educational system. Thank you for your support of LEAF. We hope we can count on you to move Ledyard Public Schools forward, by supporting innovative teaching ideas and offering skills and tools that engage our students in the classroom.

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## SPECIAL THANK YOU

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## GRANT INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

Learn how LEAF can support you as a Ledyard Public Schools teacher. Watch the video below.



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